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SUBJECT: SOUTH VIETNAMESE REQUEST FOR ASYLUM

REF: NEW DELHI 5928

1. APPRECIATE GVN CONSULATE GENERAL STAFF'S PROBLEM. BEFORE WE CONSIDER WHAT USG MIGHT DO, WE MUST BE ASSURED THAT THEY HAVE MADE EVERY EFFORT TO SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS OR HAVE MADE EFFORTS TO GO TO OTHER COUNTRIES SUCH AS FRANCE AS NOTED IN THE REFTEL. FYI. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF TRYING TO DEAL WITH A MAJOR DOMESTIC PROBLEM BROUGHT ON BY ENORMOUS INCREASE IN THE VIETNAMESE REFUGEE EXODUS OF OVER 72,000 VIETNAMESE BY SEA. MOVEMENT AND PROCESSING OF THESE PEOPLE IS OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY. WE HAVE BEEN ENJOINED BY CONGRESS TO MAKE A MAJOR EFFORT TO GET OTHERS INTO THE ACT AND WE NEED THE COOPERATION OF THE CONGRESS TO FINANCE THE VERY EXPENSIVE EFFORT WE ARE MAKING. END FYI.

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2. THE EMBASSY HAS QUITE CORRECTLY ADVISED HIEU TO SEEK
POLICE PROTECTION. HE SHOULD ALSO TELL UN REP OF PROBLEM.
WE WANT TO AVOID PROVIDING PHYSICAL ASYLUM FOR THE GVN
STAFF. PLEASE REPORT ON HIEU'S EFFORTS TO MAKE OTHER
ARRANGEMENTS BY IMMEDIATE CABLE SLUGGED FOR INTERAGENCY
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